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DATA MULTIPLEXING DEVICE, PROGRAM

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On June 7, 2000 this application was filed by Express Mail, including 68 pages of specification, numbered 1-68. Enclosed is a copy of the stamped receipt postcard, noting that this application was received by the Office on June 7, 2000 with 68 of pages of specification. Also enclosed is a true and accurate copy of specification page 29, which is missing from the official Office file of this application.

It is believed this application contains a full and complete copy of the specification, from which the patent issuing therefrom should be printed.

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packet payload has been scrambled.

The adaptation\_field\_control field is data of 2 bits for indicating that an adaptation field and/or payload is placed at the packet header of this transport stream. specifically, if only payload data is placed at the packet header, the adaptation\_field\_control field is "01"; if only an adaptation field is placed at the packet header, the adaptation\_field\_control field is "10"; if both an adaptation field and a payload are placed at the packet header, the adaptation\_field\_control field is "11".

The continuity\_counter field is data for indicating whether continuously transmitted packets with the same PID are partially absent or discarded during the transmission. Specifically, the continuity\_counter field is a field of 4 bits to be incremented each time a transport stream packet with the same PID is transmitted. However, it should be appreciated that this continuity\_counter is counted only when an adaptation field is placed at the packet header.

The adaptation\_field is a field for inserting additional information on separate streams or stuffing bytes as an option. By using this adaptation field, every information on dynamic state transitions of separate streams can be transmitted together with data.

The adaptation\_field consists of the following fields: adaptation\_field\_length, discontinuity\_counter,

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